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EDITORIAL COMMENT.

The Drinking Man Who Cares. One of the most pitiful pleas we have heard, in the present campaign for prohibition, is that of the drinking man who cares. Not so of the man who drinks and wants to stay drunk; but of the drinking man who really cares. We have found several such here and there. They do not want to drink whiskey. In their sober moments they see its danger and realize its curse. They understand that drinking brings grief, poverty and innumerable other ills to themselves and their families. They know this, and want to stop. But the presence of it overpowers them. If it can be kept at a distance from them, they will not put themselves far out of the way to secure it to their own hurt.

These drinking men who really care, who have respect for themselves, their name, their families, their belongings, are making a plea to the man who is not tempted, and so knows not the curse, to help them out—vote prohobition in their behalf.

Said an habitual drunkard to a friend the other day who never drinks, "Help me out. There is no reason why you should vote for prohibition, for you are not tempted. But I beg you help me out. I am tempted and know what the presence and power of the accursed stuff mean. Vote for prohibition with me and for my sake, and help me out."

The appeal of the drunkard to the sober man in this campaign is pitiful indeed.

And then there is a class of drinking men who call for help on another ground. Editor Crowson of the Burlington News tells in a recent editorial of these in this instance:

"Recently, when the mass meeting was called to meet in Burlington, a man came to the writer and asked where the meeting was to be held. Knowing him to have been a man who had loved his dram, and knowing that he had fooled with whiskey a good deal during life, we told him the place of the meeting exepcting to hear words of criticism from him. Instead, he said that he would be present. Noting our look of wonder he said, 'I know that I have not lived like I ought to have, and I love my dram, but I have three boys who are growing up now, and I want to vote for prohibition in order that some of the temptations that caused me to fall, may be taken from their path.' So it will be seen that down in the hearts of many men, who have not lived lives that they ought to have lived, there are noble sentiments and noble thoughts, that will rise above their own personal preferences in this matter."

Disproportion in Education

What a vast difference between the time given to ordinary education and that given to religious training. So great is this difference one might easily decide that we care a very great deal for the secular training of our children, and very little indeed for the religious training.

Let any father or mother who chances to read these lines think a moment. How much religious training has your child had? You send him to public school six hours in the day, five days in the week, and then at night see to it that he studies his lessons. You possibly send him to Sunday-school where he has half hour's teaching about the Bible and the soul's welfare. Do you ever make him read his Bible, and study religious topics at night? Thirty hours a week in secular training: one half hour in religious training—and maybe not that. Or text books, six hours, five days of the week; the Bible, the Book of books, the best and noblest Book ever written, a pitiful half hour a week. Do we care as little as that for the religious condition, and welfare, of the dear children of our homes?

And what shall we say of the vast number of children who have not the benefit of the Sabbath school? There are hundreds of thousands such in our own state. Is it not strange indeed that we devote such little time to teaching the children in the Word of God, and the way of life?

Fishing. As these fine days invite us from shop and office and factory, one's mind just turns, inevitably, to lake and pond and river. Spring never comes but that it brings afresh to mind Mrs. Annie Trumbull Slosson's classic little story "Fishin Jimmy," "To his simple intellect," writes Mrs. Slosson, "The fisherman's art was a whole system of morality, a guide for every day life, an education, a gospel." According to Fishin Jimmy all that any mortal man needed to make him useful, happy or good was mastery of the fisherman's art. And Jimmy's first interest in Christ and religion was when he learned that here was "One that was dreffle fond o'fishin an' fishermen, One that useter go 'long by the lakes an' ponds, an' sail on 'em, an' talk with the men that was fishin'. An how the fishermen all liked him 'nd asked his 'dvice, an done jest's He'd tell 'em erbout the likeliest places to fish: an' how they allers ketched more for mindin' him—An' so fust thing I knowed I says to myself 'That's the kind o' teacher I want. If I could come acrost a Man like that, I'd jest foller him, too, through thick an' thin—I'll tell you, His r'liging's a fishin' r'ligion all through"

It was fishing that saved Jimmy, brought him to see the wonder and power and love of the Man of Galilee.

For 'twas He who made Jimmy, and has made many others, fishers of men.

The annual summary of Church Membership in America for 1907, compiled by Rev. Dr. Henry K. Carroll, shows an enrollment of 32,983,156, or more than one in three of the population. Of this number the Roman Catholics claim 11,645,495. The total number of Jews is less than 150,000. The Protestant increase during 1907 was about 361,546 and the Romanist 266,000.—Ex.

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The American Sunday School Union, in its desire to secure a Sunday-school literature of the highest order of merit, offers $2,000 in prizes for three books as follows: 1. $1,000 to the author who presents the best original work on "Christian Principles in our Rural Districts; How to make them a Controlling Influence.

2. $600 for the best work, and $400 for the second best work on "The Bible an Attractive Book."

ONE THING I KNOW.

You ask me how I gave my heart to Christ? I do not know.
There came the yearning for him in my soul
So long ago.
I found earth's flowers would fade and die
I wept for something that could satisfy;
And then—and then—somehow I seemed to dare
To lift my broken heart to Him in prayer.
I do not know—I cannot tell you how;
I only know He is my Savior now.

You ask me when I gave my heart to Christ?
I cannot tell.
The day, or just the hour, I do not now
Remember well.
It must have been when I was all alone
The light of His forgiving Spirit shone
Into my heart so clouded o'er with sin;
I think—I think, 'twas then I let him in.
I do not know—I cannot tell you when;
I only know He is so dear, since then.

You ask me where I gave my heart to Christ?
I cannot say.
That sacred place has faded from my sight
As yesterday.
Perhaps He thought it better I should not
Remember where. How I should love that spot!
I think I should not tear myself away,
For I should wish forever there to stay.
I do not know—I cannot tell you where;
I only know he came and blessed me there.

You ask me why I gave my heart to Christ?
I can reply;
It is a wondrous story; listen, while
I tell you why.
My heart was drawn, at length, to seek His face;
I was alone, I had no resting plae;
I heard how he had loved me with a love
Of depth so great, of height so far above
All human ken; I longed such love to share,
And sought it then, upon my knees in prayer.

You ask me why I thought this loving Christ
Would heed my prayer?
I knew he died upon the cross for me—
I nailed Him there.
I heard His dying cry: 'Father, forgive!''
I saw him drain death's cup that I might live;
My head was bowed upon my breast in shame!
He called me—and in pentitence I came.
He heard my prayer! I cannot tell you how,
Nor when, nor, where; only— I love Him now.

—Selected.

FAMILY PRAYER.

By Rev. Eliza L. Brown.

Nature and revelation call for the upward look. Plant life rejoices in the sunlight, ever seeking and turning toward it.

As the flower bud points toward the sun and unfolds in its beams, there seems what may be called a manifestation of plant intelligence. So in the soul is implanted that principle which points to the Sun of the soul, in whose glorious light, such "as never was on land or sea," the human image of the divine may expand to fulfil its manifest destiny.

Universality of a belief in a Higher Power seems to prevail among all tribes and nations. The poet speaks of this power "in every land adored," as "Jehovah, Jove or Lord." Another refers to "The poor indian, whose unturtored mind sees God in clouds or hears him in the wind." Revealed religion gives the believer a firm foundation for his hopes, a refuge from his fears. Rules of conduct were formulated in the conscience of man before their promulgation on Sinai.

The power, the kindness, the commands of Jehovah, the "Mighty God, the Everlasting Father," as shown to his people of old, they were commanded, "Thou shalt make them known unto thy children and thy childrens' children." This is put in the singular, not "ye" but "thou," thus placing the responsibility upon the individual.

To a parent, who believes in the Heavenly Father's watchcare and love, it would seem not only a duty, but an inestimable privilege to impart to his best loved ones all possible knowledge of so gracious a Father; to lead young souls in the paths of heavenly wisdom, guided by help implored. How precious the promises as to answer to prayer. "While they are yet speaking," we are assured, God grants the petition of earnest faith.

Too often is the family altar neglected. In too many households it is never reared. The "cares of this life, the deceitfulness of riches choke the growth" of the spiritual in the heart; the father too much absorbed in business, the mother in household matters or in society, are apt to leave to pastors and Sunday-school teachers the spiritual interests of their children. While the faithful ministers and teachers are doing tehir duty, and by their efforts leading many into the more abundant life, yet what greater numbers were won to lives of virtue faith and prayer were parents more active or more devoted to the interests of the souls of their children. Is it not inspiring to reflect as to what a privilege, what a blessing it is to bow at the family altar, committed to human care, and give thanks for the possession of such treasures. What a picture to be stored up in memory for all coming years, that of the group about the room, father, mother, children worshiping together. Should it not keep the heart tender amid the strife and turmoil of the busy world? In many instances it has restrained feet from the downward path. By such sacred influences souls have been directed upward and onward in the paths of righteousness and peace evermore.

God's plan is regard to us appears as a foreshadowing of the future beyond this mortal life. The father in the home is the type of the heavenly Father. Our homes are the type of our Eternal Home in Heaven. The watch-care and love of the parent emphasizes the idea of the care of the Father of souls for His loved ones. The human watchfulness and solicitude cannot be perfect, although at times they approach perfection. The faithful parent implores the aid of the All-powerful One in his home. Human weakness leans on perfect strength. To the "giver of every good and perfect gift" should thanksgiving and praise ascend, as well as supplication.

"What a privelege to carry
Everything to God in prayer,"

our sorrows and perplexities, and our joys. And how uplifted is the sonl in such communion.

Father, mother, or whoever you are with the care of children, if you have not established the habit of family prayer, will you not, now, lay aside all restraint you may feel in this matter, and accept to-day this precious privilege granted to human beings, that of communing with the "High and Holy One that inhabiteth eternity," and gather your dear ones around you to lead them nearer our Father in Heaven, through the reading of His word, and bowing in prayer? How sweet, also, in these golden moments to raise united voices in hymns of praise. Such training in the home can but give strength for life's future struggles.

In that famed poem by Robert Burns, "The Cotter's Saturday Night," one of the tenderest scenes is where the family sing a hymn, the Scripture is read,

"Then, kneeling down, to Heaven's..
Eternal King,
The saint, the father and the husband prays."

That picture alone has made the poem beloved of thousands. As sweet a scene may be in every home. A blessing abides where such communion is held with the Father.

To the Great Teacher the disciples directed the request, "Lord, teach us to

pray." Such now is the desire of reverent souls for divine guidance.

When Jesus gave that simple, inclusive "Lord's Prayer," he gave it not only to his disciples then, but to his followers through all time. He taught that "men ought always to pray and not faint." Paul writes, "I desire therefore that men pray in every place, lifting up holy hands to God, without wrath and without disputing."

Usually it seems fitting that the father or head of the family or household should lead the devotions, while those yet in youth are each influenced, as Jesus taught, to "pray to thy Father who is in secret, and thy Father who seeth in secret shall reward thee openly,' or "shall recompense thee."

In the Epistle of the Apostle James we read, "the supplication of the righteous man availeth much in its working." Weak as are human petitions, those of faithful parents, it would seem, might be among those written of in Revelation. in "golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the sainst."

Liberty, Indiana.

* (A paper offered in the late contest for the prize for the best essay on Family Prayer.)

A PASTORAL LETTER.

To the People of Alamance County.

We the undersigned ministers, do unite in the following appeal to all good people of Alamance County:

A Glorious Opportunity.

A general election will be held on May 26, 1908, on the question of prohibition of the liquor traffic for our whole State. This is the opportunity for which we have been long praying, and one which, if neglected now, may never come again. If we let our cause be lost now, we serve notice on our Legislature that our people are opposed to State prohibition; to win by a small majority will mean the indefinite continuance of the fight; to win overwhelmingly will settle the question once for all.

A Hard Fight.

Let us not be deceived by the soothing assurance that victory will be easily won. On the contrary we need strenuous efforts of every temperance man and woman, and thorough organization in every township, and every vote that can be cast. The liquor manufacturers and dealers of the whole country are pouring money into our State and flooding it with pernicious literature filled with specious falsehoods. And some of our own newspapers and politicians are using all their influence to prejudice the people against prohibition.

The Proposed Prohibition Law.

This bill was carefully prepared by the wisest temperance men in the State, and is advocated by hosts of great men of all parties, like Gov. Glenn, ex-Govs. Jarvis and Aycock, Senator Simmons, Judges Pritchard and Shaw, A. M. Scales, H. A. London, Josephus Daniels, G. W. Watts, H. A. Page, F. R. McNinch, J. H. Pou, N. B. Broughton, W. H. Spurt, E. T. Cansler, Cameron Morrison, F. S. Blair, Settle Dockery, E. F. Aydlett and J. W. Bailey.

What This Law Will Do.

It will abolish every licensed whiskey and brandy distillery and every saloon and dispensary in the State; will prevent a few towns from debauching other communities and partially nullifying their prohibition laws; will stop the selling of wine except at the place of manufacture and outside the State and for sacramental purposes; will stop the sale of all intoxicating chemical mixtures except necessary drugs and essences; and will strictly regulate the sale of intoxicating liquors in drug stores.

Organize, Work, Pray, Vote.

While we do not presume to dictate to you how you shall vote, we as your pastors do appeal to you to vote according to your religious and moral convictions for the cause of good morals and civic righteousness. Let the good men of every township get together, organize for this campaign, appoint a strong executive committee, arrange for mass-meetings and secure good speakers, write to the Anti-Saloon League, Raleigh, N. C., for free literature and scatter it broadcast, canvass every possible voter, and pray without ceasing for the victory of righteousness and temperance.

Come to our County Mass-Meeting to be held in the Court house, Graham, Monday, April 6th, at 10:00 a. m.

E. C. Murray,	J. W. Patton,
P. H. Flemming,	W. T. Herndon,
C. A. Upchurch,	C. M. Lance,
C. H. Whitaker,	W. S. Long,
S. W. Oldham,	F. M. Harr,
J. O. Atkinson,	J. R. Newlin,
C. Brown Cox,	C. C. Peele,
J. D. Andrew,	J. W. Wellons,
E. M. Snipes,	William Porter,
David Sampson,	L. E. Smith,
C. A. Boon,	E. P. Parker,
W. C. Lassiter,	J. L. Foster,
J. W. Holt,	A. F. Iseley,
B. W. Mebane,	T. B. Dawson,
W. F. Sanford,	R. M. Andrews,
W. C. Wicker,	Duncan McLeod,

L. I. Cox.

Bro. I. W. Johnson asks in his letter elsewhere a most soliant question: "Will some brother inform us how to get more people interested in the Sunday school?" Some brother come forward if you please.

ARE WE LIBERAL?

It is a common thing nowdays to run across orthodox people that are not orthodox. But it is really quite uncommon, even in Boston, to find people of liberal views that are really liberal. Some people who have no views at all and are entirely indifferent to your views call themselves "liberal;" they mean lazy, lethargic. You can't be liberal with something that you do not possess nor perceive.

Other good folks are so deeply in love with their own "liberal views" that they have nothing but scorn or pity for the person that cannot see things as they do. Never until I die shall I forget the scene I witnessed one day in one of Boston's most intellectual and liberal clubs. Dr. Ament was just from China, and was telling his story of the Boxer outbreak. There had been all sorts of stories in the papers about him. When it came time to ask questions, the fiery darts from the so-called liberals were enough to have utterly consumed one that was not wrapped in the garments of truth and righteousness. Never was orthodox heresy trial actuated by fiercer feeling, never was there a more determined will to find guilt. And never did the plain, sweet truth of the fact more clearly and satisfactorily justify itself. It is really no easy thing to be truly liberal,—even for "liberals."

Even gentle toleration of opposing views is only going half way toward true liberality. To be truly liberal is to be loving and generous toward those with whom you cannot agree; to go just as far with them as you can without surrendering your convictions. Some good liberals think their orthodox friends very narrow and bigoted because they won't play cards or go to the theatre with them. But they never think of themselves as illiberal when they refuse to keep company with their friends in something so innocent and harmless as a prayer meeting.

Liberality is not indifference; it is not mere toleraton, which may easily become frigid isolation; it is loving and generous recognition of common rights, fair play, and forbearance toward those with whom we disgree. Are we liberal?—C. E. World.

The number of lynchings grow beautifully less every year—an event that will provoke great gratification from all good citizens. Last year, 1907, there were only 63 lynchings in the United States, the smallest number now for 23 years. The largest number recorded in any one year was in 1892 when there were 235. Though in 1905 the number was 66 only.

NOTES AND PERSONALS.

Persisteney and faith finally win out. While it took twenty-flve years to build up a ehurch of six members in China, since 1900 there have been 50,000 natives converted to Christianity.

It is impossible to have a great revival without preparation in prayer, and we are pleased indeed to see the efforts being put forth in this behalf all over Norfolk. We predict that these meetings will result in untold good in and about Norfolk. Fortunate are they who are close enough to take advantage thereof.

Ex-Governor Aycock was putting it right when, in a speech on prohibition recently he said "whether prohibition will prohibit or not is not the question. The question is simply this. Are you or are you not in favor of the sale of liquor in North Carolina? You will have the opportunity on the 26th day of May."

Rev. D. A. Long .D D. just gives us enough of his trip in the Holy Land to make us wish he would tarry a little longer—and write a great deal more. His this week's letter is interesting indeed—if it were just longer, of the same kind. We are grateful,—Mrs. A.—is indeed—for an olive twig, and rosemary plucked from the Mount of Olives.

Rev. L. I. Cox, under appointment of the Home Mission Committee of the N. C. and Va. Conference, went to Sage Garden, Forsyth county to hold services last Sunday. Bro. Cox reports an immense congregation and a very hopeful outlook for our cause at that point. What the ehurch needs is a preacher. And so in many other instance where churches have been neglected and dropped out.

Happiest and heartiest felicitations to Rev. J. O. Cox, South Norfolk, Va. Wednesday April 8, is the appointed hour, at the South Norfolk Christian Church, of which he is the esteemed pastor. Felicitations are in order, he having won the hand of Miss Mamie Harper, a most amiable and charming woman indeed. And with this also are extended our very best wishes for a long and happy married life.

This note, from Herald of Gospel Liberty, will be of interest and pleasure to Sun readers.

"* * *Rev. D. P. Barrett reports the work in Porto Rico as doing nicely. Members are frequently added to the churches. The one crying need just now is a house of worship for Ponse. This must be an early enterprise of the Christian Church. Let us get ready for it and then build that house in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ."

Now and then a good brother, interested in The Sun and in our good cause, sends a word of eheer that helps also. Like this for instance: "I have been a subscriber sinee 1879 continuously and have no idea of being without it in my home. I like it in its new form, so handy. I feel that I could not be without it and wish that it may continue to shine till its congenial rays reach every home in the Christian Church."

Monday morning we received this telegram from Rev. M. L. Bryant, pastor Main St., Christian church, Berkley: "Berkley, Va. March 30. Deacon S. A. Eley of Berkley church died last evening, Sunday." For many years Deacon Eley had been the pastor's right arm in our Berkley church, and a most useful and valuable man in all its undertakings. Those who have attended Eastern Va. Conference and Sunday School Conventions will remember Bro. Eley's face and presence. He was especially useful in song, being leader for many years of the choir in his own church, and of song at our annual gatherings. Truly a sainted soul has gone to his reward. He was faithful to the end. In the Berkely Letter this week Pastor Bryant speaks of his usefulness. We know that his pastor and church will sadly miss him. The bereaved ones have our sympathy.

Sun readers remember the shocking tragedy up in Madison county, N. C. only a few weeks since, of how a man in a drunken rage beat his wife to death with a maul. Judge Pritchard related the incident at Burlington in his prihibition speech there as thus reported by The News:

"In Madison County, a farmer who was a kind father and husband when sober, went home intoxicated one day, and finding his wife absent went in search of her and found her at a neighbor's. On his way home he became angry, and took a stick and mauled her brains out, leaving her dead near the door of their home. The little three year old babe, seeing its mother in the yard, and thinking her asleep, was found lying on the mother's breast, calling upon her to wake up, not knowing that its little hands were dyed with the life blood of the mother that should never again speak to it, while the father was a fugitive from justice."

Whiskey is causing awful scenes like that almost every day, yet there are members of the church who now say that on May 26, they shall vote a ballot with these words "For the Sale and Manufaeture of Intoxieating Liquors." My dear brother, would you not better consider well before you vote that ticket?

Ex-Governor Stewart of Vermont, 83 years old, has been appointed to succeed the late Senator Proctor as United States Senator. But then the word Senator—Latin senatus—means an old man.

Representative Ferris of Oklahoma has introduced a bill in Congress to erect a monument in Washington, D. C. to the memory of Gen. Robt. E. Lee, the bill carrying an appropriation of $100,000.

The legislature of Virginia has removed Judge J. W. K. Blackstone of the Eleventh Judieial Distriet from the beneh for immorality and gross neglect of duty and Clarence W. Robinson of Newport News has been elected to fill the vacaney.

The Aldrich Currency bill upon which the Senate has been at work since Jan. 9 passed that body by a party vote of 42 to 13 March 27. The bill provides for not more than $500,000,000 of emergeney currency to be issued to national banks upon the deposit by them of state, county and municipal bonds to be approved by the secretary of the treasury.

It is not at all strange, or uncommon for one to see dispatches, in the dailies, from Kentucky like this:

"Owentown, Ky., March 25.—Owentown was visited early today by "night riders" who set fire to three large tobacco warehouses, causing a loss of about $3,000 and destroying 150,000 pounds of tobacco, in addition to three buildings.

The use of wireless telegraphy at sea has been illustrated in the ease of a fire on board the steamer Providence, of the Fall River line, while on its way to New York. A wireless message was sent to another steamship of the same line, whieh the eaptain of the Providence knew must be near by, and in a short time the passengers were all removed to the other steamer. Without the wireless a panic and loss of life might have been the result.

New York, March 28.—A red flag fluttered in Union Square today; a bomb fell; two men lay dying in the people's playground; and New York awoke to the fact that it harbored those prepared to give their lives in armed resistance in constituted authority.

The bomb was intended for the police who, with rough firmness, had broken up a meeting of 10,000 unemployed. It exploded prematurely in the hands of the assassin, horribly wounding him, killing his companion, injuring slightly a policeman and throwing to the ground a score of those who were massed in the vicinity.

IN PALESTINE.

Dear Dr. Atkinson: We passed Cyprus last night. We have been in sight of the "Promised Land" ever since 5.30 a. m. today. The day is bright with a cloudless sky. It was a beautiful sight to watch the sun rise in golden glory over the mountains and hills of Palestine.

Our stay at Constantinople was one never to be forgotten. So of the visit to Sunnyrma. It was hard to realize that we were at the home of one of the seven churches referred to in the second and third chapters of the Book of Revelations. After I reached the top of the hill where the martyr Polycaorp, disciple was buried, I bowed with a few friend in prayer by his tomb. About one hundred carriages were required to carry the pilgrims to the tomb of the Martyr the day we spent at Smyrna. Who is it that reads, who does not recall the word of Polycarp, when called on to recant: "Eighty and six years have I served Him. He has never done me wrong; how then can I blaspheme my king that saved me." Then just over there, an hour's ride by rail, is Ephesus where Paul and Timothy and others preached, and no spot near the magnificent ruins and among the tombs of the mighty dead, is more interesting than the Tomb of St. John.

D. A. Long.

March 4. On Board the S. S. Arabic.

HENDERSON LETTER.

The second Sunday in March was one of the most encouraging days our work here has experienced. The Sunday-school was larger than ever before and the congregation at preaching service numbered more than any one service for over a year. Two members were received on profession of faith and baptized. Work has been resumed on the church building. I have visited five churches in the interest of our work here and have received in cash from these over one hundred dollars besides pledges. We now see our way we think to complete the walls. I shall continue to visit the churches as time will admit. The brethren here look after the work well in my absence.

Since last writing I have received the following: B. J. Blackley $5; R. L. Conyers $5.00; W. L. Young $10.00; Rev. P. T. Klapp $2.00, J. B. King $1.00, N. M. Rodgers $1.00. Basket collection (New Hope) $3.23. Basket collection (Youngsville) $5.00. Total amount received on building $1,375.95. Uncollected pledges $583.00. The month of April and May we shall need all pledges paid that have been made and some $200.00 besides.

The 2nd Sunday in April I shall be at Shallow Well and the 4th Sunday at New Elam in the morning and at Christian Chapel in the afternoon at 3:30.

C. E. Newman,

Henderson, N. C.

FROM TRUETT, ALABAMA.

It has been quite awhile since you have heard from me; however, I have been doing the best I could under the surroundings. The present month has been very favorable for church work, until yesterday when we were rained out at New Hope.

The first Sunday Rev. P. S. Sailer was with us at Beulah and preached to a fine congregation after which he presented the church extension claims collection which amounted to about $24.00, I think. The day was fine, order excellent and much good will be the result. Bro. Sailer preached for us again at night.

The second Sunday was a fine day for us at Antioch. The weather fine and congregations were large on Sunday. Communion service was observed on Sunday. It was a spiritual feast. Bro. Sailer was with us here and preached for us on Sunday.

Bro. Sailer went to Mt Zion Saturday night and held a successful service. Owing to the amount of sickness and bad weather prevailing in our country, Bro. Sailer was not greeted by very large audiences, but if the pastors will keep this matter before our people it will mean a rich harvest in future.

Third Sunday we had a delightful service at McGuires Chapel. The power of the spirit was with us, and it was good to be there.

Fourth Saturday we met at New Hope and held a sweet service, and quarterly conference. The business was harmoniously attended to, and steps were taken toward progress. I feel that my work is in fair condition, and hope to do my best year's work this year. I pray God to bless our Zion every where.

G. D. Hunt.

HOLLAND ITEMS.

Saturday, 21st was the usual time for our quarterly church conference, but the weather was disagreeable, and my health was poor, which prevented my attendance, a very unusual occurrence with me. The attendance was small, but the usual routine of business was transacted.

Sunday, 22nd was a pleasant day and a good congregation met for worsuip. The exercises of the Sabbath school, which preceded the regular church services, were interesting, the school being larger than usual. Deacon I. A. Luke, the superintendent, seems to be the right man in the right place.

Our regular religious services which began at 11 o'clock, were spiritually instructive and edifying. Many of the tunes sung by the choir were entirely new, and quite an improvement upon the former tunes usually sung, and added much to the interest and enjoyment of the worship. Mrs. Holland and others have given special attention to the improvement of this part of our worship, and it tells most favorably upon our religious exercises.

It goes without saying that our pastor gave us an inspiring and spiritually helpful sermon. After the sermon the sacraments of the Lord's Supper were administered to quite a number of communicants.

Between the morning and evening services, or a little after two o'clock our meeting for the mission cause convened. The congregation was not as large as on some former occasions, and the collection was not as large. The amount paid in was only a little over eleven dollars, whereas, on some other occasions, it has been over twelve dollars.

The night being quite dark, I did not attend religious services. But I learned the congregation was good, and the services all very much enjoyed.

Since writing the above we have learned of two sudden deaths near here. Miss Nora Gardner, a young lady aged between twenty and thirty years, without previous warning, died suddenly without any serious affliction.

Martin Smith, a school boy 17 or 18 years old living a mile or two away, but going to school here, died the same day, and near the same hour, thus reminding us of the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death.

The reader will allow me space to mention the receipt of a very sweet, Christian letter from Bro. W. T. Newman, brother of our pastor here. It had been so long since I last met Bro. Newman, the writer, I had almost forgotten him. His kind and brotherly letter was much appreciated and enjoyed.

Our lady members here, as we see it, are real busy workers. Our Ladies' Aid Society met yesterday, and from the number of pleasant, bright, joyous faces exhibited, one would suppose they had a very pleasant and profitable meeting. Our ladies also had what they term a "sociable" last night; ample preparations in the way of ice cream, cake, etc., and quite a number of young people and some older ones were present and report a most enjoyable time.

R. H. Holland.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Second Quarter, Lesson I, April 5, 1908.

Jesus the Good Shepherd.

John 10:1—16. . . . . .

Lesson Outline: I The Good Shepherd enters the Fold by the Door.

II The Good Shepherd knows his sheep by name.

IIIThe Good Shepherd leads his flock.

IV The Good Shepherd gives his life for the sheep.

There is a close connection with the last lesson, for by expelling from the synagogue the man who had been cured of his blindness, the Pharisees who held place of Shepherds of God's flock, had proven themselves bad shepherds, for they had driven away a member of their flock instead of leading him into green pastures.

This fact seems to have originated the present lesson. Jesus sets before the leaders the pictures of a bad and a good shpherd that they might be convicted of their sin, and might find the good shepherd and the true fold.

The Good Shepherd's Entrance.

We are first told how we may recognize the good shepherd in contrast with thieves, robbers, and hirelings. The sheepfolds of the East were mere enclosures surrounded by a wall of loose stones with thorn-bushes upon the top, usually an effectual barrier against wolves. This wall has a single door by which the shepherd with his flock enter. Others who attempt an entrance by some other way are thieves and robbers.

The sheepfold symbolizes the kingdom of heaven. The door represents the right or appointed way of entering. The sheep are tne disciples of Christ.

..The Good Shepherd Knows Each Member of the Flock by Name.

We are accustomed to give names to dogs, horses, cows, and are not surprised to find these animals intelligent enough to recognize their own names

In ancient times it was not unusual to give names to herds of sheep in the same way.

One fold usually sufficed for a whole district and each morning each shepherd in turn would call out each member of his flock.

These names were usually given on account of some peculiarity or even some defect. The voice of the shepherd which produced such an effect upon the members of the flock was not merely the sound of the voice but the pulsations of his heart.

The ability to call others by name is a great power.

Cyrus is credited with the power to repeat the name of every soldier in his great army. Most generals and leaders know their people only in the mass as so many and heneeart tewodfarhfawodwart many and hence treat them in the mass.

The question is always one of final results, not of the success or failing of the individual.

Jesus knows each one individually so that he ministers to each exactly what he requires.

The Good Shepherd Leads.

No one is wise enough to choose his own life for himself. Hardly any person in old age is just where in youth he planned to be, but Jesus knows and he will guide aright all who trust in him.

"Trust in the Lord and do good and he shall direct thy paths." All things work together for good to them that love the Lord and obey him.

The sheep which keep nearest the shepherd are the safest, most contented, and happy.

The Good Shepherd gives His life for the sheep.

Jesus gave his life for the sheep. He died that they might be saved from their great enemy, sin. The shepherd may or may not be called upon to die for his sheep but he always lays down his life for them.

To lay down one's life for another is to consecrate it, devote it, be ready to die for the other.

There shall be one fold.

Not that there shall be one flock, one particular creed or method of worship but one fold, one in heart, one in purpose, one in the service of God and men.

G. W. T.

OUR SOUND THELOLOGY.

Carlyle Summerbell

In the Sun of March 18th "Uncle Wellons" in referring to an article of mine, claims that the Christian Church, South, is orthordox in practice, and has no taint of liberal views, having "system and uniformity." Without doubt Bro. Wellons states exact condition of things. I am not one who thinks he can fully understand the affairs and problems without living in the locality. I know that it is impossible for those residing outside of New England, to have so good an understanding and a realization of the present crisis, as we who live here. Nevertheless there are some great fundamental principles which all intelligent men can understand.

If I am rightly informed, one of the fundamental principles of the Christian church, is Christian character the only test of fellowship. I understand that this is still a professed principle of the Christian church, South. And I know that some Unitarians, some Universalists, some "Higher Critics," and some Trinitarians are Christians. Now is it really true that the Christian Church will refuse to receive any Christians? And if so, should we not change our name to the Orthodox or Heterodox Christian Church?

I do not know the South as Bro. Wellons who has given all his life to the work, but I would like to ask, if Sarah Flower Adams, who was a Unitarian and who wrote,

"Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer to thee!
Ev'n though it be a cross
That raiseth me!
Still all my song shall be,
Nearer, my God, to thee,
Nearer to thee!

would apply for membership, would you tell her that there was no room for her in the "Inn?"

If John Bowring, another Unitarian, who wrote,

"In the cross of Christ I glory,
Towering o'er the wrecks of time;
All the light of sacred story
Gathers round its head subline."

"When the sun of bliss is beaming
Light and love upon my way,
From the cross the radiance, streaming,
Adds more lustre to the day."

should apply for membership in our southern Zion, would "Uncle Wellons" be the man to refuse Bowring? Do you ever sing that old hymn?

Or suppose a Unitarian of today, Edward Everett Hale, the present chaplain of the United States Senate, moved to the South, and desired to unite with our demonination, would the southern churches claim that Hale is not good enough, or wise enough, or Christian enough to unite with them? God forbid. They would be turning down themselves, not Hale.

Or conceive that a "Higher Critic," awful name, like Dr. Washington Gladden the ex-moderator of the Congregational Council, who wrote, "Master let me walk with Thee" should apply for church membership, would you refuse to let him walk with thee, "Uncle Wellons", or would you forget his book, "Who wrote the Bible" and consider, "Who wrote the Life?"

Horace Mann, the first president of Antioch College, was a Unitarian in belief, and united with our church at Yellow Springs, Ohio. Are we not proud to claim him, as a "member in good standing?" I am for he was one of the greatest educators in America, and had a Cnristian character.

Rev. Dr. A. W. Coan, ex-editor of the Herald of Gospel Liberty, and ex-President of the American Christian Con-

vention was thorougn going Unitarian in belief.

And I could mention some of our prom inent officials of 1908, who are liberals in theology, but I do not desire to do so, lest as they might be discriminated against. I am a liberal in theology, and a member of the Christian church. This proves that liberals are received and fellowshipped in the Christian church. This one instance breaks perfect? unformity.

I believe my theology is sound, and that you orthodox do not understand all the truth of God. The great religious leaders and reformers were the heretics of their day; Isaiah, Jeremiah, Paul, Stephen, Jesus. You remember that Paul says, that he worshiped God after the way that was called heresy.

Prof. James in his philosophy of pragmatism claims that the religion that works is the best religion for the individual. Certainly our religious conceptions depend upon our psychical and physical condition, our training, our surroundings, our disposition, and shall we expect all men to believe the same things, with the same intensity, at the same time? Youth cannot have the experience of old age, nor can Africa at present, produce a Sir Isaac Newton. But I love to believe that in the Father's House there mansions for all. And as we conform our spirit to the heavenly kingdom, we build for others, many mansions of love, affection and mercy.

Perhaps I have already taken up too much space in the Sun. Let me give one more quotation from a heretical scource —The Poet Whitter.

"O brother man!fold to the heart thy brother;
Where pity dwells, the peace of God is there.
To worship rightly is to love each other—
Each smile a hym, each kindly deed a prayer.
Follow with reverent steps the great example
Of him whose holy work was doing good;
So shall the wide earth seem our Father's temple,
Each loving life a psalm of gratitude."

Fall River, Mass.

According to the Chicago Tribune, the enormous sum of $149,000,000 was given away by philanthropists in 1907. Of this aggregate $70,915,542 was given to education; the largest item was Mr. Rockefeller's gift of $32,000,000 to the General Board of Education. Religious institutions received $9,343,892; art-galleries and public improvements, $17,247,400; libraries, $2,943,000. The two largest givers were Mr. Rockefeller, ($44,419,500) Mrs. Russell Sage ($13,148,775.)—Ex.

FIELD NOTES.

The work in a country church presents many difficulties during the winter months Unfavorable weather, sickness and a great many other things interfere with the enlargement of the work already under way. In my field here has been much sickness, and several deaths have removed some of our best and most valuable members. But the work will go on, for the Lord will raise up other workers to do His work. On account of sickness and funerals I have preached inly twice at Berea since January 1st. That community has been deeply bereaved by the hand of death during the past three months.

With the opening of spring there will be new opportunities for increasing the efficiency of our church work. Especially will there be great need of enlarging the work done in the average country Sunday school. Will some brother inform us how to get more people interested in the Sunday school? This is one of the great problems in my field, although some of my schools are above the average. But the number of those who attend the schools should be doubled in most cases. If some one will suggest a plan which will help this department of our church work, the cause of Christ will be greatly helped.

The first Sunday in April will be Mission Day at Liberty Spring. The Annual Offering for the Conference Assessments will be made at that time. This church is expected to raise $100 this year. This amount will be raised. I believe these Assessments can be raised in most cases, if the work is undertaken in time, and properly pushed forward. My people have never disappointed me along this line of our work. There is no place in the pulpit for a sermon on "hard times," in connection with a church offering. The preacher who undertakes a Mission Offering, and prefaces his remarks by saying: "Brethren, times are mighty hard"—well, he is going to fail in his purpose. The brother in the pew has had enough of that "hard times" doctrine, and he would like for you to give him a good liberal treatment along the line of his duty to his fellowman. A good friend of mine often said to me: "Brother Johnson, you had better look after your salary first, and then talk about this Mission money." To which I replied. "It's not my business to collect my salary." The result has been thus: for nine years my churches have paid my salary in full, and met all Conference requirements.

But I am asking the Lord for something of more importance than the raising of mission money—although I would not depreciate the value of money in the kingdom of God—I want this to be a great year for soul-saving in our churches. Oh, how I yearn for the souls of our people to be brought to the Cross. When the church gets upon her knees in prayer, God is ready to hear her petition. May this year see many precious souls born into the kingdom of God.

I. W. Johnson.

TO THE PASTORS OF THE EASTERN NORTH CAROLINA CHRISTIAN CONFERENCE.

Dear Brethren: As Secretary of the E. N. C. S. S. Convention and being deeply interested in the welfare and promotion of our church and Sunday school, I want the best year's work this year in the history of our cause.

A great burden as touching the S. S. rests upon your shoulders. I mean by that, that, unless you talk S. S., insist on having S. S., and help to organize (where there is none) and plan for the work, it will mean but little for the church. I want, so far as possible, every pastor having work in this conference to organize a S. S., in the month of April, in every church that hasn't a S. S., in his charge.

In noticing the minutes of our last convention, I find the following churches blank and do not know who the pastors or superintendents are: Antioch, Bethel, Bulah, Bethlehem, Christian Chapel, Christian Light, Ebenezer, Fullers, Good Hope, Mt. Carmel, Mt. Gilead, Moore Union, New Hill, Pleasant Union, Pleasant Hill, Piney Plains, Pleasant Grove, Spilvana, Six Forks, and Turner's Chapel.

Will you please write me which of these churches you are serving and give me the name of the Superintendent? My object in this is, to try to work up a great interest in the S. schools of our conference.

We want if possible to have the greatest convention this year, we have ever had. You may say that I am talking the convention too soon; but judging from the records, we have not started soon enough or for the lack of interest one, we did not have a fair representation at the last conventon. We must talk these things and get others to talk also.

Please let me hear from you soon about these blank churches in order that I may get in touch with them in time for the conventiin work. I am,

Yours in the Work,
A. T. Banks, Sec.

McCullers, N. C.

"He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much."

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Important Notice.—As readers will see, The Christian Sun is now published at Greensboro, N. C. The office of publication there is 302½ South Elm Street. Our editorial office, however, remains at Elon College, N. C., to which all letters and communications to the Editor should be addressed, as heretofore.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

Every week since the law was passed we have warned subscribers that after April 1 we could not send the paper to any one as much as one year in arrears. This is the law now and we have no alternative in the matter. There are now some over three hundred who have not responded and

This Week

their names have to be taken from our mailing list. We know that many of these want the paper, but have neglected to write and send renewal. We cannot help ourselves. We cut these three hundred off, enter their accounts on our ledger, and have this week sent to them their accounts.

We feel that we have done our duty in this matter. We would have been willing to wait yet longer, but could not according to law.

Now we ask these friends to pay up what they are due. An honest debt will always be dealt with by honest people in an honorable and straight forward manner. Now that the paper to these friends has been discontinued we trust they will "catch up" and renew.

EVANGELIZATION.

The "old time revival" has lost neither its power, place nor prestige. It is with us yet in all vigor, strength and usefulness. Only its form has changed. Its content remains the same. Certain features of the old time revival are different; the essentials of the religious revival still abide.

Years ago a preacher of religious fervor, mighty in winning men, went where invitations and opportunities pressed. Then a revival "broke out" in some center, and there was much excitement, and talk.

Now, plans are laid, with utmost detail, and a thorough-going campaign is organized and conducted. The ministers of a city, of all denominations, come together in solemn conclave, and in their several parishes and congregations, advertise the meetings, pray for the outcome, prepare for evangelization. Scores and scores of such campaigns are now in progress, enlisting as they do the active support and cooperative energy of well nigh every pastor, of the evangelistic churches, in the cities where the campaigns are conducted: this besides the preaching and teaching of some great earnest soul whose only work is to win men to Christ in evangelistic efforts.

That which promises to be the greatest evangelistic campaign of our time is to be waged in London, England, in 1909. The supreme effort is to be directed to winning to Christ the masses of that great metropolis. Anglican and Nonconformist are to labor side by side. Arrangements are already on foot for the conduct of this campaign to begin nearly a year hence. Simultaneously, at large halls in all parts of the city, great meetings are to be held. " A member of the Established Church and a member of the Free Churches are to be jointly responsible for the conduct of the service at each hall, and the appeal of our common Christianity."

This promises to be one of the greatest union of forces of the different churches for the evangelization of the masses ever witnessed in one city.

Hundreds of such campaigns, on a smaller scale only, are now in operation, or in planning, for our various cities and centers. This means a mighty concentration of energy and effort, on the part of the different denominations, to win the world to Christ. No, evangelistic effort is not done. Not by any manner of means. Evangelization is in the very air. Is this prophetic of the day when, in answer to our Lord Christ's prayer "they all shall be one." The kingdom of Christ is coming, the world shall yet be brought to a knowledge of Him.

And now the French Academy puts itself on record. Modemoiselle LeClere who died in New York some time ago left a bequest to the Academy to be used in raising the moral tone of France. The Academy declines to accept on the ground that it would indicate that the belief of the French Academy was that of Madam Le Clerc, viz. that the moral tone of France was very bad and needed raising. Och!

THE CLOSET AND PRAYER.

The purpose of prayer is to commune with God. In this the soul rises to sublime heights. It reaches above itself and seeks converse with the Eternal. If things of time, or sense, or season, come between, prayer is broken, its power lost. Shut out from the world, shut in with God, is the ideal of prayer, as to conditions.

To fulfill this condition, our Savior said, (Matt. 6.6) "When thou prayest, enter into thy closet." The closet is the secret and solitudinous place, where sounds and sights to divert and distract cannot come.

Reader, have you a secret and silent place for prayer? If not, you are missing much. Read then this little sermon, truly multum in parvo, by Cornelius Walfkin:

The prayer closet is the testing room of the saint of God. Not only is it a refuge in the time of trouble, but a place where God reveals the very meaning of the trouble, and what its purpose, design and outcome are. As the soul comes here from the conflicts of temptation, weary and faint with the struggle, it learns the resources of Divine strength in the promise, "My grace is sufficient for thee." Then it goes forth girded with might. Weaping and mourning we cross the threshold, sensitive and pained with the wounds of unkindness. But the smile of Divine favor soon dries the tear-stained face, and having been embraced in the arms of God's love the soul comes out singing.

EPITAPHS.

There may not be an epitaph on our tomb stone. Well, what difference does it make? Who cares? Deep in the hearts of those who know us are inscribed words that will not efface. Earth and heaven unite to write our epitaph.

The best one ever wtirten was this: "He went about doing good."

And then we saw this one recently, to have which written of us when we are gone, would be worth more than gold or silver. Read and contemplate "A child of whom her playmates said, 'It was easier to be good when she was with us.'"

Could any mortal have holier ambition than this; to make it easier for others to be good when you are present?

Rev. Thomas Spurgeon, though under medical treatment and rest in Australia, has concluded to again tender his resignation as pastor of the Metropolitan Tabernacle, London, of which his distinguished father C. H. Spurgeon was pastor many years.

SUFFOLK LETTER.

The celebration of the "Centennial of Religious Journalism" at Portsmouth, New Hampshire, on September 1, 1908, will mark an important epoch in the history of the Christian Church and the "Herald of Gospel Liberty," the oldest religious newspaper. The initiation of religious journalism on September 1, 1908, by Elias Smith, a member of the Christian Church, introduced a force into human society that has been blessed of God in the spread of truth and the education of society in moral and religious ideas. The weekly religious paper has not only been a potent positive educator in that which is good, but it has acted in a negative way to prevent the security of false ideas and vile practices in Christian civilization. The religious paper has always stood for decency, morality, honesty, and religion. It has always opposed social indiscretion, commercial deception, and civil hypocrisy. This has laid a check upon the secular thought aided, materially, in elevating the tone and moral standard of the Press. All this has wrought out a comparatively clean literature, and expanded the application of moral and ethical principles. The religious paper holds a place in the world of print similar to that of the church in human society. All of human society is not religious in the real spiritual sense; but all of society is improved by the church and the standard of right which the church sets up and tries to maintain. The ramifications of primary and central forces cannot be fully traced; but in a general sense, we can see that they act like constitutions in civil states or like engines in great mills. "The Herald of Gospel Liberty," printed for a hundred years by the Christian Church, and now issued from Dayton, Ohio, every week, is not the largest nor best religions weekly published in this age; but it is the oldest, stands at the center in origin and existence, and may, therefore, take first place in religious Journalism as Washington ranks first among Presidents as Abram in the Jewish church and nation.

It seems to me, therefore, that the Southern Christian Convention, when it meets in Greensboro the 28th, of April, ought to take some steps to recognize and celebrate, in some way, this great event in our southern Conferences. The committee on publications might take note of the historic event and present something for Convention approval; or it might be introduced by any member who could present its claim upon the consideration of the members. If it went no further than discussion it would acquaint the Convention itself with a great fact, a great history, and a great force.

The original Document, known as "The Declaration of Independence," has been placed in sealed case never to be opened again, so as to preserve the parchment and the signatures of the great men whose names it bears; but facsimile copies were made and the force of that Document permeates the whole Republic. So the name of the first editor of the Herald of Gospel Liberty may be lost in the archives of history; but the force of the religious paper will live in every new printing device and in the ever-increasing distribution of printed pages. Temperance, Education, Reforms, Benevolent Institutions, all had their first advocates in religious journals.

W. W. Staley.

ELON COLLEGE NOTES.

Faculty and students were pleased to have Rev. C. C. Peel preach for us at college at 11 o'clock Sunday. It is always a pleasure to have the loyal sons of Elon with us in our religious services bringing the experience, hope and inspiration growing out of successful labor in the larger field.

Mr. Karl Jansen gave an interesting exercise in College chapel Saturday evning and gave a talk Sunday morning in the Sunday-school.

Sunday evening the Christian Endeavor Society conducted a very interesting Missionary Meeting in a comparative study of the Home Missionary work of the different denominations represented in the college. Papers and reports were read from the representatives of the different churches. Seven denominations are represented in the student body. Elon College is so thoroughly non-sectarian that all who come here find the Christian life and character placed above denominational differences while each student is taught to be loyal to his own denomination.

Little Miss Margaret Rhodes celebrated her first birthday last week, and had a delightful time, but following the birthday celebration Master Rhodes Moffit was quite sick. He is well again now and ready for another birth day dinner.

The students and faculty are all well and busy endeavoring to make the most of these beautiful spring days in mental and moral development.

W. C. W.

A WONDERFUL TESTIMONY.

The late lamented Rev. H. Clay Trumbull, said and wrote many valuable truths and testimonies in his great life's work, but we seriously doubt if he conveyed a greater truth in few words than is contained in his own testimony as to the value of personal work. Dr. Trumbull relates:

"After my return from the army I was again in the Sunday-school missionary field, which I had left to go out as a chaplain. For ten years I addressed gatherings of persons in numbers from ten to fifteen to five or six thousand each. In this work I went from Maine to California, and from Minnesota to Florida. This gave me an opportunity to test the relative value of speeches to gathered assemblies. Later, I have been for more than twenty five years an editor of a religious periodical that has a circulation of more than a hundred thousand a week during much of the time. Meanwhile I have published more than thirty different volumes. Yet looking back upon my work, in all these years, I can see more direct results of good through my individual efforts with individuals than I can know of through all my spoken words to thousands upon thousands of persons in religious assemblies, or all my written words on the pages of periodicals or of books. And in this I do not think my experience has been wholly unlike that of many others who have had large experience in both spheres of influence.

Reaching one person at a time is the best way of reaching all the world in time. Reaching one person at a time is the best way of reaching a single individual. Therefore seeking an individual is the best way of winning one person or a multitude to Christ. The world is made up of individuals. Christ longs for individuals to be in his service. Therefore he who considers Christ's love, or the world's needs, will think most of individuals, and will do most for individuals."

Preparatory to the Chapman-Alexander evangelistic meetings soon to begin in Norfolk, we notice this in The Landmark, from the Berkley ward:

"The first of the series of the union services will be tonight at 8 o'clock in Berkley Avenue Baptist Church. The preacher will be Rev. M. L. Bryant, pastor of Main Street Christian Church. There will be a short sermon on evangelistic lines and the rest of the service will be devoted to prayer and song. It is suggested by Dr. Chapman and endorsed by the District Ministerial Committee that Cottage Prayer meetings should be held a short time prior to his coming at such houses where requests are made for them and the ministers will be glad to receive these requests at any time."

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"He that hath pity on the poor lendeth unto the Lord, and his good deed will He pay him again."—Prov. 19:17.

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Elon College, N. C., March 25, 1908.

My Dear Children and Friends:

After the beautiful snow of last week we are now having some splendid sunny weather and its affording us fine opportunity for our out door work and we are using it to best advantage possible in gardening and farming and building to our barn.

Since last report the following donations have been received:

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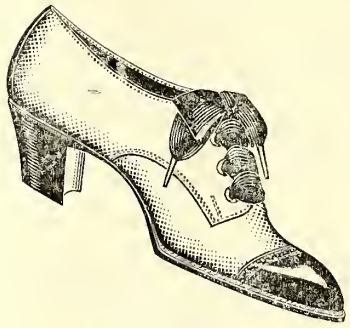

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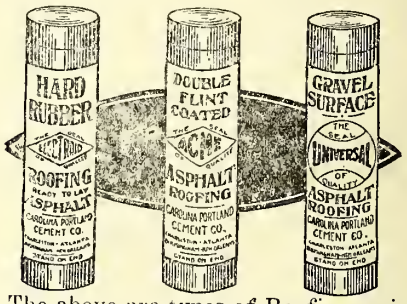

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With much love to all.

Fondly yours,

Uncle Jim.

Henderson, N. C. March, 20, 1908.

Dear Uncle Jim:

I am a little late this month, but will try to be on time in April. I have been busy helping "daddy" in the garden. I can walk anywhere I wish to go, and if it wasn't for having to cut teeth, I would have as good time as any big boy.

I send my dime and love for the orphans. Your little nephew.

Charles E. Newman Jr.

Well hurry and catch up with James Jr. He is such a big man as to cutting teeth he should cut a year from now.

Ivor, Va. March. 19, 1908.

Dear Uncle Jim:

I will write my March letter. Papa has given me a little blue pig. I can call him too. Enclosed find a dime.

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Asheboro, N. C. March 19, 1908.
Dear Uncle Jim:

I am having such a good time these days playing in the pretty sunshine, that I scarcely have time to write, but thought I would send my dime and also tell you our bibbies are growing fast now.

This is court week now and such a lot of people have been here. Last Sunday I walked passed the jail and saw some prisoners peeping through the bars at the windows. Don't you think it is awful bad to have to be shut up that way. I never am going to be so naughty. I go to Sunday school and I like it so much. Wasn't it funny how Jesus could feed so many people from so little? I was so glad Jesus healed the poor blind man. If my letter is too long leave out some of it, I am as ever.

Your fond nephew.
Baird Moffitt.

Yes, little man Uncle Jim, hopes you will grow to be a good and useful man.

Durham, N. C. March 21, 1908.
Dear Uncle Jim:

I read your good letter in the Sun last night and you said you were going to have 3 acres in your garden you can raise a lot of vegetables. I will close with love to you and all the cousins. Please find enclosed 10 cts. my dues for March.

Your little nephew.
Samuel Pipkins.

It will take lots of vegetables for all these little mouths Samuel and so will have to have a large garden.

Durham, N. C. March 21, 1908.
Dear Uncle Jim:

I will write to you this beautiful morning. Every thing is white with snow, and I had been going bare foot a day or so . Was glad to get on my shoes this morning. Will close. Find my dime for this month.

Your nephew,
Glenn Pipkins.

Had to creep back into shoes did you Glenn. Well you'll get another chance soon I guess.

Holland, Va. March 18, 1908.
Dear Uncle Jim:

Here I come again with my letter and dime for March I hope all little cousins are enjoying this fine spring weather. I like it because I can play out doors in the sunshine. I will close with much love to you and all the little cousins.

Fondly your little niece.
Maud L. Howell.

Ah, you are like all the rest of the little ones Maud. I guess warm weather will soon come again.

Berkley, Va., 304 Ivy St.
March 23, 1908.

Dear Uncle Jim:

I will write my letter for March. I hope all the little cousins are well. There is a deep snow on the ground now. Enclosed please find .25 cents

Yours Truly,
Pierce Harris.
Ruth Harris.
Louise Harris.
Jackson Harris.
May Harris.

Well little folks we are glad to have your letter and nickels again. Did you snow ball any?

Dear Cousins:

Did you eat any snow cream? My, wasn't it good! But we are wishing now for the pretty days again so when the real warm weather comes, Father will let us children at the Orphanage go bare foot. Won't it sound nice to hear our little feet go patter patter? We love to go down to the barn lot to see how the new barn is getting on and also to help nail if they will just please be so kind as to let us have the hammer.

Byebye Lovingly.
Mary Lee and James L. Foster.

BERKLEY LETTER.

Sickness and death have brought to us much concern and anxiety during the past weeks. Our good and well beloved deacon and Bro. S. A. Eley, who is now in his seventy third year, has been confined to his bed for several days. His life has been one of almost constant service and sacrifice for the cause of Christ. As chorister and deacon he has rendered invaluable aid to his many pas-pastors. Let all his friends pray, the Lord willing, he may be spared yet a while.

On March the 18th Sister Lizzie Stacy, one of our oldest members passed away. For years she had been solely dependent on the charity of the church and friends. Three reasons made her especially worthy. Her age, seventy eight; her lonesomeness in life, having no relatives living to take interest in her; and her destitution of the wherewithal to pay for the necessities of life. The burial expenses were willingly and readily paid by the church and friends. May the Lord repay these contributors by whispering to each "In as much as ye did it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye did it unto me."

Bro. G. D. Debaum, another of our faithful members now in his eighty-fifth year is making his home with his daughter in South Norfolk. He has been much help to the church in a financial way, contributing cheerfully to her many calls and says he expects to do so even though he can no longer attend services. This should be noted by all those who have the opinion that they should only pay or give to church calls when in attendance.

Sunday afternoon, March 22nd, there was organized in this church a Young Mens' Meeting for special song and prayer service. Much enthusiasm was manifested and we hope to have some good reports later. We are trying to do effectual preparatory work for The Chapman

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M. L. Bryant.

VALLEY NOTES.

The snow has passed away and spring has come again and with it a revival of church activity. It shows a lack of interest in church work when a Sunday-school has to close its doors for the winter, while those who attend the Sunday-school in summer attend to almost everything else in the winter, going through almost all kinds of weather to look after their business. And the children, these dear little things who cannot stand the cold and go through the snow to Sunday-school, can go to the public school five days in the week from 8:30 a. m. to 3:30 or 4 p. m. and then come home and coast an hour on the hill side. "O, consistency, thou art a jewel." Would that more could put thee on and wear thee.

The Timber Ridge church has kept up a Sunday prayer meeting and a Christian Endeavor during the winter and will have a Sunday-school during the summer. This church is up with its salary and has over three fourths of its conference apportionment on hand. One member was received at our last appointment. Timber Mountain Church holds its services in a Methodist meeting house, hence we have no prayer meeting or Sunday-school. I am in a meeting at this point now, and hope that much good will result.

Brethren, one of our most progressive churches has kept up a Sunday-school and a Christian Endeavor society all winter. This church has about three fourths of its apportionment in hand. One member received there our last appointment.

Bulah, one of our mission points, has had no Sunday-school during the winter but expects to have one this summer. Over half of the conference apportionments are on hand.

We held our revival services at Newport in February. The weather was unfavorable a part of the time but the congregations were very good. One united with the church as a result of the meeting and we trust that the members are revived. This church has had no Sunday-school or prayer meeting during the winter but has organized the Sunday-school for the beginning of the second quarter with Bro. E. L. Louderback as Supt. This church is almost up with its salary and nearly half the apportionment is in hand.

Concord has had no Sunday-school or prayer meeting during the winter but has organized the Sunday-school for the summer. This church has a missionary society that aids in raising the mission funds. Every church needs to have some method to teach its members a systematic plan of giving.

Mayland another mission point has had nothing except preaching service during the winter but has organized a Sunday-school this spring with Bro. J. D. Hillyard as Supt.

Those who are interested in the work of our conference missionary, Rev. A. W. Andes, will be gratified at his report for the last two months which is as follows:

Sermons 48, prayer meetings 3, visits 126, miles traveled 679, conversions 54, members received 52, persons baptized 28. The conference made no mistake in securing his services.

Our meeting at Mayland has just closed, there were two conversions and we trust the members were revived. Bro. H. C. Moore preached three sermons during the meeting that were highly appreciated by the congregation.

An act was passed by the last legislature of Virginia to establish a state normal female college at Harrisonburg. The state appropriates $50,000 to which Rockingham County adds $10,000 and the town of Harrisonburg $5,000. We hope to have a full delegation from our conference to the Southern Christian Convention. W. T. Walters.

Harrisonburg, Va., Mar. 25, 1908.

Former Judge Shaw of the Superior Court of North Carolina said in a speech for prohibition at Salisbury the other day that while on the bench he found that 75 to 80 per cent. of all crime was traceable to the use of liquor and that for every dollar put into the school fund by the liquor traffic over two dollars were taken out to punish crime caused by the traffic. "This is" as The News and Observer says "a statement by one of the honestest and best judges in the State, who for eight years rode the circuits in North Carolina." Such statements from such sources are enough to convince any honest man who is open to conviction that prohibition is what the state needs for the sake of economy, sobriety and morality.

United States Senator, William James Bryan of Fla., died at Washington Sunday of typhoid fever. Senator Bryan had only been in the Senate 73 days, 33 days of which he was down with fever. He succeeded the late Senator Mallory who died December 23rd last. This makes seven Senators who have died since the 59th Congress adjourned March 4, 1907. Mr. Bryan was the youngest Senator, being less than 32.

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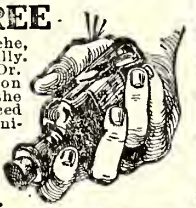

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May their voyage through life be a happy and prosperous one.

A. W. Andes.

Armentrout-Bayers.

At Harrisonburg Virginia, Feb. 25th, Elmer Armentrout was united in marriage to Maggie Bayers. The writer officiated at the ceremony. The young couple have our best wishes for a long and happy life. W. T. Walters.

DIED.

Jobe.

Cathrine Jobe was born June 20th, 1815 and died March 30th, 1908, aged 92 years, and 9 months. Sister Jobe was one of the charter members of the Newport Christian Church, and lived a consistent Christian life for 40 years. She was the mother of nine chidlren, theee living to mourn their loss, sixteen grand children. Sermon by the writer in the Newport church to a large sympathizing congregation.

J. W. Dofflemyre.

Elkton, Va., March 23, 1908.

Bradshaw .

Mrs. Rena Cox Bradshaw was born September 24, 1866. She was the daughter of John W. and Alice Ray Cox. On Feb. 23, 1887, she was married to Mr. Robert E. Bradshaw. She died at her home near Hobson, Va., Sunday, March 15, 1908. She leaves six children. Alice Essie, Shirley D., Paul C., Lina Marie, Wm. Thomas, and Ruth Eliz. Two half brothers, WillieT. and Charles W Cox and one half sister, Mrs. R. H. Rush survive her. Sister Bradshaw was a consistent member of Western Branch Baptist church. She was faithful and attentive to the work of the Master, and won for herself many kind friends. Her funeral was conducted at Hobson Christian church, and her remains were buried at Wesley Chapel, Chuckatuck, Va. May the Lord bless and comfort the bereaved family.

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Howell.

After eight days of suffering from pneumonia, Ralph Howell, son of Mrs. Minnie Morrell, departed this life on March 15, 1908, at the age of twelve years.

About a year ago Ralph united with the church and gave promise of much usefulness. His Sunday-school Supt. said that during the past year he brought in more new members than any one else in the school. He was a good boy and much beloved by all who knew him. Perhaps there has never been a larger crowd at a funeral in our church. The school, which he attended, was present in a body. Every seat was taken, the aisles crowded and many turned away. The floral offering was beautiful. He leaves a mother, step-father and two brothers, and we pray that these may be enabled to look up, in trust and say: "Thy will be done" and to look forward in hope to a glorious reunion in Heaven.

C. H. Rowland.

Franklin, Va.

Whereas it hath pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from our midst sister Rena Cox Bradshaw, who departed this life March 15, 1908, and whereas she was a faithful worker in the Ladies Aid Society of the Hobson Christian church, therefore be it resolved:

1. That we bow in humble submission to the Divine Will.

2. That we express our gratitude for the Christian influence of our beloved co-worker.

3. That we express our hearfelt sympathy to the bereaved family, and commend them to the loving care of our Heavenly Father.

4. That a copy of these resolutions be entered upon the record of the society, a copy sent to the Christian Sun for publication, and a copy sent to the family.

Mrs. M. E. Beale.
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Elon College, N. C., March 20, 1908.

The Texas brewers have pledged $1,000,000 to "down" the temperance movement in that state. It will be needed, and more. Money may stay for a season, but it does not stop, the moral wave of temperance and sobriety now sweeping the South.

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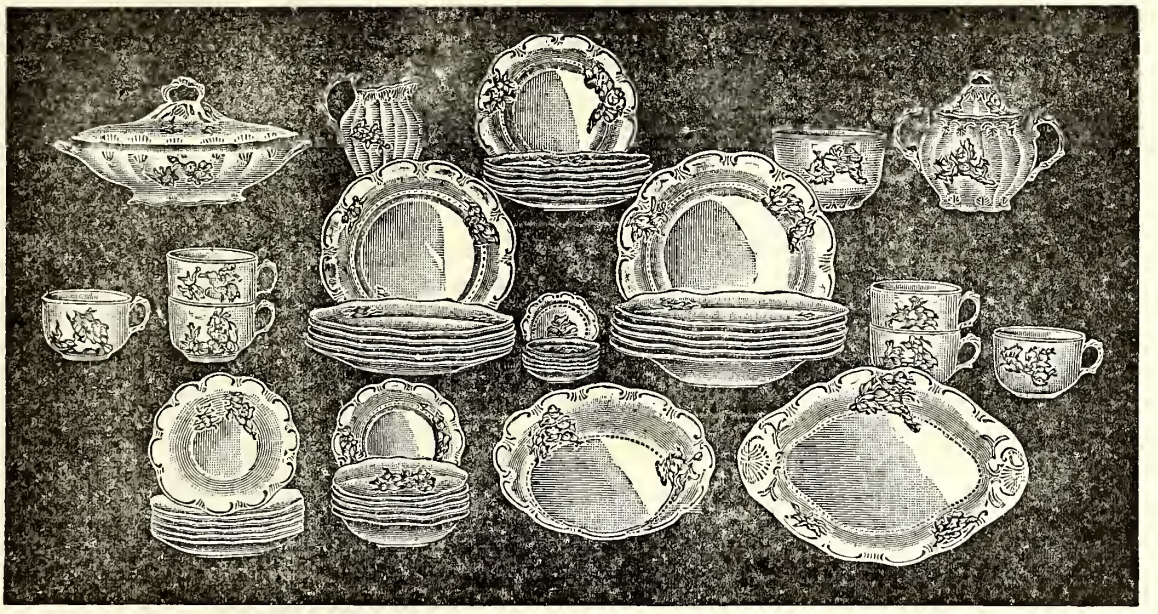

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